



PGES Newsletter

Teacher Edition

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New resources posted to the PGES webpages

- [CIITS/EDS Single Topic Webcast-Median Student Growth Percentiles archive](#)
- [CIITS/EDS Single Topic Webcast- Peer Observation archive](#)
- [Student Growth Percentile Report for Teachers Quick Start Guide-Infinite Campus technical support](#)
- [Training Document-Teacher Student Growth Median-Infinite Campus technical support](#)
- [Median Student Growth Percentile Webcast-technical support](#)

Date for release of Median Student Growth Percentile (MSGP) scores in Educator Development Suite (EDS) to be announced

MSGP scores have not yet been released into EDS. When the date is set, it will be shared in the Fast Five, e-mailed to PGES Point of Contacts and posted to the PGES website along with a Quick Reference Card explaining how to access the scores. Materials will be available to help educators understand how the scores were calculated and what can be done in preparation for next year if they are inaccurate.

Student Growth Goal time saver

Teachers can complete the [Think and Plan](#) document and upload it as an artifact to the Student Growth Goal tool in EDS instead of cutting and pasting from the document into each section of the EDS tool. For guidance on how to upload an artifact, please use this [Student Growth Goal Quick Reference Card](#).

Lessons learned from the fall Student Voice Survey window key to spring success

More than 96 percent of the districts who anticipated participating in the fall Student Voice Survey window implemented the survey. Districts that did not implement during the fall window will have another opportunity in the spring.

KDE congratulates the following districts' successful implementation of the Student Voice Survey in the fall survey window:

Districts with 100 percent successful completion of the Student Voice Survey:

- Cloverport Independent

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- East Bernstadt Independent
- Harrison County
- Southgate Independent

Districts with 99 percent successful completion of the Student Voice Survey:

- Marshall County
- Murray Independent

Lessons learned

Lessons were learned during the fall Student Voice Survey Window that may be helpful in planning for districts that plan to implement the survey in the spring.

- Create a plan to ensure all students know how to access student Infinite Campus logins and password retrieval/reset.
- Complete the Infinite Campus teacher survey-type assignment verification process and plan for unique teaching scenarios; for example, how to address the lack of survey results for special education teachers who may not have enough students on their rosters. For guidance on verifying the teacher survey-type assignment, please see the [Student Voice Technical How To-Administrator document](#).
- Communicate the Student Voice Survey administration process to students ahead of time to avoid unintended student participation issues.

The spring Student Voice Survey window is March 4 - 25. Districts can begin verifying teacher survey-type assignments in Infinite Campus (IC) after February 1.

What is the Instructional Transformation Grant Project?

The Instructional Transformation Grant Project is an opportunity for school districts in Kentucky to increase student achievement through professional learning that:

- advances implementation of the Kentucky Core Academic Standards
- deepens understanding of next generation assessment systems
- aligns with Kentucky's Professional Growth and Effectiveness System
- promotes and captures the contributions of teacher leaders in progressive ways

The Kentucky Department of Education recognizes the generous support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to support the advancement of college and career readiness in Kentucky school districts. Through a

Request for Applications (RFA) process, 18 districts have been selected to receive grant awards ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000 to support the grant goals. The participating districts include: Boone, Boyd, Campbell, Christian, Daviess, Fayette, Fleming, Jefferson, Jessamine, Lee, Owsley, Pendleton, Pike, Simpson, Warren, Washington, Webster, and Whitley.

Have a great Winter Break!

The Kentucky Department of Education wishes you rest, relaxation, great joy and happiness during your Winter Break. Kentucky educators have been working hard all year implementing PGES and meeting the needs of their students. This break is well deserved! Thanks for all you do every day for Kentucky children.